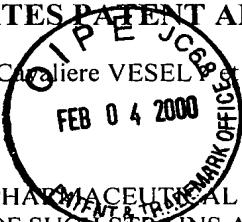


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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF: Renata Maria Anna Camilleri VESEL et al. GAU: 1645
SERIAL NO: 08/813,776 EXAMINER: MINNIFIELD
FILED: March 7, 1997
FOR: STRAINS OF BACTERIA AND PHARMACEUTICAL COMPOSITION
CONTAINING ONE OR MORE OF SUCH STRAINS AND USE OF SAME
FOR PREVENTING AND TREATING DISEASES ASSOCIATED WITH
OR CAUSED BY ALTERED METABOLISM OF BILE ACIDS



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SIR:

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Appeals from the decision dated August 4, 1999

The items checked below are appropriate:

- A Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 was filed for one months.
- A timely response to the final rejection has been filed, as provided in 841 O.G. 1411.
- A Petition for Extension of Time for filing the Notice of Appeal is attached.

Fee: \$300.00

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